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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR ENTICING A MINOR."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 53a-193 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 5 The following definitions are applicable to this section and sections
- 6 53a-194 to 53a-210, inclusive, and sections 504 to 506, inclusive, of this
- 7 act:
- 8 (1) Any material or performance is "obscene" if, (A) taken as a
- 9 whole, it predominantly appeals to the prurient interest, (B) it depicts
- 10 or describes in a patently offensive way a prohibited sexual act, and
- 11 (C) taken as a whole, it lacks serious literary, artistic, educational,
- 12 political or scientific value. Predominant appeal shall be judged with
- 13 reference to ordinary adults unless it appears from the character of the
- 14 material or performance or the circumstances of its dissemination to be

designed for some other specially susceptible audience. Whether a material or performance is obscene shall be judged by ordinary adults applying contemporary community standards. In applying contemporary community standards, the state of Connecticut is deemed to be the community.

- (2) Material or a performance is "obscene as to minors" if it depicts a prohibited sexual act and, taken as a whole, it is harmful to minors. For purposes of this [subsection] <u>subdivision</u>: (A) "Minor" means any person less than seventeen years old as used in section 53a-196 and less than sixteen years old as used in sections 53a-196a [,] <u>and</u> 53a-196b, [and 53a-196c] and (B) "harmful to minors" means that quality of any description or representation, in whatever form, of a prohibited sexual act, when (i) it predominantly appeals to the prurient, shameful or morbid interest of minors, (ii) it is patently offensive to prevailing standards in the adult community as a whole with respect to what is suitable material for minors, and (iii) taken as a whole, it lacks serious literary, artistic, educational, political or scientific value for minors.
- (3) "Prohibited sexual act" means erotic fondling, nude performance, sexual excitement, sado-masochistic abuse, masturbation or sexual intercourse.
- (4) "Nude performance" means the showing of the human male or female genitals, pubic area or buttocks with less than a fully opaque covering, or the showing of the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering of any portion thereof below the top of the nipple, or the depiction of covered male genitals in a discernibly turgid state in any play, motion picture, dance or other exhibition performed before an audience.
- (5) "Erotic fondling" means touching a person's clothed or unclothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or if such person is a female, breast.
- 44 (6) "Sexual excitement" means the condition of human male or 45 female genitals when in a state of sexual stimulation or arousal.

(7) "Sado-masochistic abuse" means flagellation or torture by or upon a person clad in undergarments, a mask or bizarre costume, or the condition of being fettered, bound or otherwise physically restrained on the part of one so clothed.

- (8) "Masturbation" means the real or simulated touching, rubbing or otherwise stimulating a person's own clothed or unclothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or, if the person is female, breast, either by manual manipulation or with an artificial instrument.
- (9) "Sexual intercourse" means intercourse, real or simulated, whether genital-genital, oral-genital, anal-genital or oral-anal, whether between persons of the same or opposite sex or between a human and an animal, or with an artificial genital.
- (10) "Material" means anything tangible which is capable of being used or adapted to arouse prurient, shameful or morbid interest, whether through the medium of reading, observation, sound or in any other manner. Undeveloped photographs, molds, printing plates, and the like, may be deemed obscene notwithstanding that processing or other acts may be required to make the obscenity patent or to disseminate it.
- (11) "Performance" means any play, motion picture, dance or other exhibition performed before an audience.
- 67 (12) "Promote" means to manufacture, issue, sell, give, provide, 68 lend, mail, deliver, transfer, transmit, publish, distribute, circulate, 69 disseminate, present, exhibit, advertise, produce, direct or participate 70 in.
 - (13) "Child pornography" means any [material involving a live performance or photographic or other visual reproduction of a live performance which depicts a minor in a prohibited sexual act] <u>visual depiction including any photograph, film, videotape, picture or computer-generated image or picture, whether made or produced by electronic, mechanical or other means, of sexually explicit conduct,</u>

77 where the production of such visual depiction involves the use of a

- 78 person under sixteen years of age engaging in sexually explicit
- 79 conduct, provided whether the subject of a visual depiction was a
- 80 person under sixteen years of age at the time the visual depiction was
- 81 <u>created is a question to be decided by the trier of fact.</u>
- 82 (14) "Sexually explicit conduct" means actual or simulated (A)
- 83 sexual intercourse, including genital-genital, oral-genital, anal-genital
- 84 or oral-anal physical contact, whether between persons of the same or
- 85 opposite sex, or with an artificial genital, (B) bestiality, (C)
- 86 masturbation, (D) sadistic or masochistic abuse, or (E) lascivious
- 87 <u>exhibition of the genitals or pubic area of any person.</u>
- 88 (15) "Visual depiction" includes undeveloped film and videotape
- 89 and data, as defined in subdivision (8) of section 53a-250, that is
- 90 capable of conversion into a visual image and includes encrypted data.
- 91 Sec. 502. Section 53a-196c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 92 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 93 (a) A person is guilty of importing child pornography when, with
- 94 intent to promote child pornography, [he] such person knowingly
- 95 imports or causes to be imported into the state [any] three or more
- 96 <u>visual depictions of</u> child pornography of known content and
- 97 character.
- 98 [(b) Importation of two or more copies of any publication containing
- 99 child pornography shall be prima facie evidence that such publications
- were imported with intent to promote child pornography.]
- [(c)] (b) Importing child pornography is a class [C] <u>B</u> felony.
- Sec. 503. Section 53a-196d of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 104 (a) A person is guilty of possessing child pornography [when he] in
- 105 the first degree when such person knowingly possesses [child
- 106 pornography, as defined in subdivision (13) of section 53a-193.

107 Possession of a photographic or other visual reproduction of a nude

- 108 minor for a bona fide artistic, medical, scientific, educational, religious,
- 109 governmental or judicial purpose shall not be a violation of this
- subsection] fifty or more visual depictions of child pornography.
- (b) Possessing child pornography <u>in the first degree</u> is a class [D] <u>B</u>
- felony.
- Sec. 504. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2004) (a) A person is guilty of
- possessing child pornography in the second degree when such person
- 115 knowingly possesses twenty or more but fewer than fifty visual
- 116 depictions of child pornography.
- (b) Possessing child pornography in the second degree is a class C
- 118 felony.
- Sec. 505. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2004) (a) A person is guilty of
- possessing child pornography in the third degree when such person
- 121 knowingly possesses fewer than twenty visual depictions of child
- 122 pornography.
- (b) Possessing child pornography in the third degree is a class D
- 124 felony.
- Sec. 506. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2004) In any prosecution for a
- violation of section 53a-196d of the general statutes, as amended by
- this act, or section 504 or 505 of this act, it shall be an affirmative
- defense that (1) the defendant (A) possessed fewer than three visual
- depictions of child pornography, (B) did not knowingly purchase,
- 130 procure, solicit or request such visual depictions or knowingly take
- any other action to cause such visual depictions to come into the
- defendant's possession, and (C) promptly and in good faith, and
- 133 without retaining or allowing any person, other than a law
- enforcement agency, to access any visual depiction or copy thereof,
- took reasonable steps to destroy each such visual depiction or reported
- 136 the matter to a law enforcement agency and afforded that agency
- access to each such visual depiction, or (2) the defendant possessed a

visual depiction of a nude person under sixteen years of age for a bona

- 139 fide artistic, medical, scientific, educational, religious, governmental or
- 140 judicial purpose.
- 141 Sec. 507. Subsection (e) of section 53a-29 of the general statutes is
- 142 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 143 *October 1, 2004*):
- (e) The period of probation, unless terminated sooner as provided in
- section 53a-32, shall be not less than ten years nor more than thirty-five
- 146 years for conviction of a violation of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of
- section 53-21, section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, [or] 53a-
- 72b, 53a-90a, as amended by this act, 53a-196b, as amended by this act,
- 53a-196c, as amended by this act, 53a-196d, as amended by this act, or
- section 504 or 505 of this act.
- 151 Sec. 508. Subsection (c) of section 54-56e of the general statutes is
- 152 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 153 *October 1, 2004*):
- 154 (c) This section shall not be applicable: (1) To any person charged
- with a class A felony, a class B felony, except a violation of section 53a-
- 156 122 that does not involve the use, attempted use or threatened use of
- 157 physical force against another person, or a violation of section 14-227a,
- as amended, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section
- 159 53a-56b, 53a-60d, 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, [or]
- 160 53a-72b, 53a-90a, as amended by this act, or section 504 or 505 of this
- act, (2) to any person charged with a crime or motor vehicle violation
- who, as a result of the commission of such crime or motor vehicle
- violation, causes the death of another person, (3) to any person accused
- of a family violence crime as defined in section 46b-38a who (A) is
- eligible for the pretrial family violence education program established
- under section 46b-38c, as amended, or (B) has previously had the
- pretrial family violence education program invoked in such person's
- behalf, (4) to any person charged with a violation of section 21a-267 or
- 169 21a-279 who (A) is eligible for the pretrial drug education program

established under section 54-56i, or (B) has previously had the pretrial

- drug education program invoked in such person's behalf, or (5) unless
- good cause is shown, to any person charged with a class C felony.
- 173 Sec. 509. Subdivision (2) of section 54-250 of the general statutes is
- 174 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 175 *October* 1, 2004):
- 176 (2) "Criminal offense against a victim who is a minor" means (A) a
- violation of subdivision (2) of section 53-21 of the general statutes in
- 178 effect prior to October 1, 2000, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of
- 179 section 53-21, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-70,
- 180 subdivision (1), (4) or (8) of subsection (a) of section 53a-71,
- subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-72a, subdivision (2) of
- subsection (a) of section 53a-86, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of
- section 53a-87, section 53a-90a, as amended by this act, 53a-196a,
- 184 53a-196b, 53a-196c, as amended by this act, [or] 53a-196d, as amended
- by this act, or section 504 or 505 of this act, (B) a violation of section
- 186 53a-92, 53a-92a, 53a-94, 53a-94a, 53a-95, 53a-96 or 53a-186, provided
- the court makes a finding that, at the time of the offense, the victim
- 188 was under eighteen years of age, (C) a violation of any of the offenses
- 189 specified in subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision for which a
- 190 person is criminally liable under section 53a-8, 53a-48 or 53a-49, or (D)
- 191 a violation of any predecessor statute to any offense specified in
- subparagraph (A), (B) or (C) of this subdivision the essential elements
- of which are substantially the same as said offense.
- 194 Sec. 510. Subsection (c) of section 19a-343 of the general statutes, as
- amended by section 4 of public act 03-231, is repealed and the
- 196 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- (c) Three or more arrests, or the issuance of three or more arrest
- 198 warrants indicating a pattern of criminal activity and not isolated
- 199 incidents, for the following offenses shall constitute the basis for
- 200 bringing an action to abate a public nuisance:
- 201 (1) Prostitution under section 53a-82, 53a-83, 53a-86, 53a-87, 53a-88

- 202 or 53a-89.
- 203 (2) Promoting an obscene performance or obscene material under 204 section 53a-196 or 53a-196b, employing a minor in an obscene performance under section 53a-196a, [or importing or possessing child 205 206 pornography under section 53a-196c or 53a-196d] importing child 207 pornography under section 53a-196c, as amended by this act, 208 possessing child pornography in the first degree under section 53a-209 196d, as amended by this act, possessing child pornography in the 210 second degree under section 504 of this act or possessing child 211 pornography in the third degree under section 505 of this act.
- 212 (3) Transmission of gambling information under section 53-278b or 213 53-278d or maintaining of a gambling premises under section 53-278e.
- (4) Offenses for the sale of controlled substances, possession of controlled substances with intent to sell, or maintaining a drug factory under section 21a-277, 21a-278 or 21a-278a or use of the property by persons possessing controlled substances under section 21a-279. Nothing in this section shall prevent the state from also proceeding against property under section 21a-259 or 54-36h.
- (5) Unauthorized sale of alcoholic liquor under section 30-74 or disposing of liquor without a permit under section 30-77, as amended.
- 222 (6) Violations of the inciting injury to persons or property law under 223 section 53a-179a.
- 224 (7) Maintaining a motor vehicle chop shop under section 14-149a.
- 225 (8) Murder or manslaughter under section 53a-54a, 53a-54b, 53a-55, 53a-56 or 53a-56a.
- (9) Assault under section 53a-59, 53a-59a, subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-60 or section 53a-60a.
- 229 (10) Sexual assault under section 53a-70 or 53a-70a.

230 (11) Fire safety violations under section 29-292, subsection (b) of section 29-310, or section 29-315, <u>as amended</u>, 29-317, 29-320, 29-325, 29-329, 29-337, 29-349 or 29-357, <u>as amended</u>.

- Sec. 511. (*Effective from passage*) (a) A task force is established to study procedures under state and federal law for law enforcement agencies in this state to access subscriber records and the contents of electronic or wire communications maintained by providers of electronic communication service or remote computing service, as those terms are defined in 18 USC 2510 and 18 USC 2711, respectively.
- (b) The task force shall be composed of the Commissioner of Public Safety, the Chief State's Attorney, the Chief Public Defender, the Chief Court Administrator, a representative of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association and the cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary and public safety, or their designees.
 - (c) Such study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of (1) the method by which a law enforcement agency may require the disclosure of such information by a provider, such as by service of a search warrant, court order or administrative subpoena, (2) the standard for the issuance of a court order or subpoena, (3) the procedure for notifying a subscriber when the records of such subscriber or the contents of communications made by such subscriber are sought from a provider, (4) the procedure for a provider or a subscriber to move to challenge a subpoena or court order, (5) procedures to ensure that the privacy interests of subscribers in wire and electronic communications are protected, and (6) remedies and sanctions for the unauthorized access to or disclosure of subscriber records or communications.
 - (d) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations, including any recommendations for legislation, to the joint standing committee on the judiciary not later than January 5, 2005, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

Sec. 512. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Correction shall prohibit any person who has been convicted of a crime that requires registration pursuant to chapter 969 of the general statutes from having access to a computer while such person is in the custody of the commissioner and confined in a correctional facility.

Sec. 513. (*Effective October 1, 2004*) Sections 53a-197 and 53a-198 of the general statutes are repealed."